

**KLLZ-FM  
WALKER, MN 56484  
QUARTERLY "ISSUES PROGRAMMING" LISTING  
OCTOBER-DECEMBER, 2022**

Operations Manager Kevin Jackson compiled the list for the fourth quarter of 2022

**Issues Programs List**

**Quarterly Issues Programs List for KLLZ-FM  
October 1 through December 31, 2022  
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**Section I. Issues.**

**The station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:**

**A. Community Enrichment & Improvement:** Activities and events that enrich and/or improve the lives of community members.

**B. Economy:** Events, programs, and organizations that work to benefit economic growth in the community.

**C. Education:** Area schools, colleges and other organizations that promote and deliver education to the community, as well as issues that affect the educational opportunities in the area.

**D. Health:** Health issues in our region, including education and awareness as well as initiatives taken by health providers, organizations and agencies to make the area a healthier place to live.

**E. Safety:** Safety issues, be it public safety or individual. Topics include fire, crime and victimization and focuses on education and prevention, including agencies and organizations involved in safety and first response.

**F. Youth Enrichment:** Organizations and Activities to provide opportunities and experiences for youth in the community.

**G. Environment:** Events, Organizations, Individuals and Initiatives promoting conservation and environmental enhancement. The environment is an important part of community health, quality of life and the economy.

**H. Arts & Culture:** Arts and culture offerings and educational opportunities for the community.

**Section II. Responsive Programs**

**The station has broadcast programming dealing with each of the above referenced issues. Programming dealing with each issue is set out below.**

## **A. COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT & IMPROVEMENT**

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 10/9/22 at 6:00am

**Topic:** Brandon Mustful of Great River Rescue, the area animal shelter, stopped in with “Momma Dog”, one of the 100 or so dogs waiting for a forever home. He discussed the dogs and cats available, all the veterinary services they perform before animals are sent to their new homes and the health and mental health benefits of owning a pet. He also promoted their Harvest Gala coming up October 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Program Length:** 9:32

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 10/9/22 at 6:10am

**Topic:** United Way of the Bemidji Area Executive Director Denae Alamano promoted the latest fund raiser of their annual fall campaign. United Way Restaurant Week is a week where a number of Bemidji area restaurants provide special bargains on certain items and the sales of those items go to the United Way and its 21 partner agencies that serve the community.

**Program Length:** 11:13

**Z99 Morning Show**---Air Date 10/20/22 at 8:30am

**Topic:** United Way of the Bemidji Area Executive Director Denae Alamano promoted the latest fund raiser of their annual fall campaign. United Way Movie Days is a weekend where they run family friendly matinees. It raises money for the United Way’s campaign, but also offers families a fun time at the movies at an affordable price.

**Program Length:** 7:43

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 11/27/22 at 6:00am

**Topic:** Ashley Johnson and Bethany Wesley of the Northwest Minnesota Foundation discussed the various ways they benefit the community. They provide business loans and support, non-profit grants and support as well as community fund development. They also reminded people of the tax benefits of donating to the NW MN Fund with the end of the year approaching.

**Program Length:** 12:22

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 12/04/22 at 6:00am

**Topic:** Verna Lenker and Kate Repko of the Bemidji Senior Center updated the latest happenings at the Center, which included their annual book sale, holiday sale and gift wrapping service (at Paul Bunyan Mall). The Senior Center provides seniors in the community with activities, camaraderie, health help, meals and much more.

**Program Length:** 14:30

## **B. ECONOMY**

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 10/2/22 at 6:08am

**Topic:** Jordan Hickman, Bemidji School District Human Resources Director, discussed the large number of job openings in the district. These jobs would have a very positive impact on households due to their competitive pay and strong benefits. Although the labor market is tight, these jobs could be a move upward for families.

**Program Length:** 15:15

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 10/23/22 at 6:00am

**Topic:** Bemidji Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Abby Randall and Rural Minnesota CEP’s Char Hirte were in to preview the upcoming Career Fair. In this unique economic time, businesses are very short of workers and are aggressively looking for

workers. The Career Fair will give them the opportunity to talk with potential new employees. It's also a great chance for people looking for a step up the ladder or a change in job to explore the possibilities. Char talked about "Ticket To Work", a program designed to help those on disability to find employment opportunities without risking their benefit.

**Program Length:** 13:12

**"Community Spotlight Program"**---Air Date 10/30/22 at 6:00am

**Topic:** Northwoods Habitat For Humanity Executive Director Geri Hickerson discussed the activities going on with Habitat. They are renovating a house and are planning on a build for next year. Habitat For Humanity provides families ineligible for traditional mortgages to buy a home, which helps their economic condition immensely. And the houses are built on vacant lots or replaces dilapidated buildings, which improves the neighborhood and increases the value of other homes in the neighborhood as well. The ReStore also helps people by providing home renovation and improvement products at a low price allowing people to improve their homes at an affordable price.

**Program Length:** 14:44

## **C. EDUCATION**

**"Community Spotlight Program"**---Air Date 11/27/22 at 6:12am

**Topic:** Bemidji High School Principal Jason Stanoch and Career Counselor Jenny Fraley discussed the Bemidji Career Academies. They noted that the number of career academies, which give students and up close look and hands on experience perspective of potential careers, continues to grow. This is giving students a better idea of classes to pursue for careers they may be interested in, and also gives them an idea of what they don't want to pursue prior to going to college, tech school or the work force.

**Program Length:** 14:57

**"Radiothon To End Child Abuse"**---Air Date 12/1/22 at 1:35pm

**Topic:** Linsey McMurrin and Barb Houg discussed Peacemaker Resources, an organization that provides students with the tools and training to deal with disputes peacefully and productively. The goal is to prevent conflict from leading to violence and injury. Peacemaker Resources provides training to elementary and middle school aged children in many area schools.

**Program Length:** 12:33

**"Community Spotlight Program"**---Air Date 12/18/22 at 6:18am

**Topic:** Bemidji High School Choir Director and Music Educator Chris Fettig, along with Choir students Ella Biehm and Aiden Larson, discussed the upcoming Christmas concert and the choir's invitation to perform at Carnegie Hall, which will give them the opportunity to learn from some of the finest music educators in the nation.

**Program Length:** 8:44

## **D. HEALTH**

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 10/30/22 at 6:15am

**Topic:** Dr. Shayla Hesse of Sanford Health was in to talk about “flu season”. She urged people to get their influenza vaccines and reminded people of the importance of taking steps to avoid the flu. Much like Covid, social distancing should be practiced when near people with the flu and mask wearing helps as well. She also noted that it’s safe to get the latest Covid Booster and Flu Shot at the same time, but warned the side effects can be a bit tougher if you do both at the same time.

**Program Length:** 14:16

**“Radiothon To End Child Abuse”**---Air Date 12/1/22 at 11:10am

**Topic:** Becca Van Dyke, the Executive Director of Northwoods Pregnancy Center, discussed their mission of providing support, services and supplies to pregnant women in the area. They provide free medical care and services, as well as supplies for new borns and counseling support for both expectant mothers and fathers. They also provide post natal care for mothers and children.

**Program Length:** 13:42

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 12/11/22 at 6:00am

**Topic:** Tabitha Chilton, Sanford Health Native American Health Advocate, discussed the purpose of her role in facilitating preventive care for Native Americans with Sanford Health providers and discussed the American Indian Cancer Foundation, which is working hard to promote preventive cancer care and education for indigenous peoples.

**Program Length:** 6:38

## **E. SAFETY**

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 10/2/22 at 6:00am

**Topic:** Cassandra Deming of Sanford Health discussed the importance of Child Safety Seats. She discussed the reason the laws exist, the differences in seats as kids grow, the proper use of them and how they save lives.

**Program Length:** 7:49

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 10/16/22 at 6:00am

**Topic:** Kris Latzke, the Executive Director of the Northwoods Battered Womens Shelter, was the guest to raise awareness for National Domestic Abuse Awareness Month. She discussed the heavy load of cases the shelter deals with every year and the efforts the shelter puts in to keep women safe and help them move forward in their lives. She also discussed the capital campaign to build a new larger shelter to handle the large volume of people in need of help..

**Program Length:** 9:25

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 12/18/22 at 6:00am

**Topic:** Bemidji Rental Inspector Ben Hein discussed his job and what he does. He discussed inspecting rental properties to make sure smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are working as well as making sure there are easy and safe exits for emergencies. He also discussed upcoming rental code changes and what it means for renters and land lords. As a fire fighter, he also discussed what we can do to be ready for emergency situations and to prevent them,

**Program Length:** 17:37

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 12/25/22 at 6:00am

**Topic:** Beltrami County Sheriff Ernie Beitel discussed the status of the Beltrami County Jail. The jail is outdated and too small, and a solution needs to be found. He discussed options for a new jail at a new location, as well as renovation. He also discussed other concerns with public safety including improving mental health facilities and opportunities. The sheriff, who is retiring, also reminisced about his long career in law enforcement.

**Program Length:** 23:25

## F. YOUTH ENRICHMENT

**“Radiothon To End Child Abuse”**---Air Date 12/1/22 at 10:50am

**Topic:** Gary Russell, Director of the Evergreen Youth Shelter discussed the services they provide, which include counseling, temporary shelter, food and other essentials for estranged youth as well as long term family counseling. He also told of successful youth turn arounds due to the efforts by the staff at Evergreen.

**Program Length:** 9:42

**“Radiothon To End Child Abuse”**---Air Date 12/1/22 at 11:35am

**Topic:** Bemidji School District Homeless Liaison Alea Stoll discussed the stress on families and students in homeless situations. She discussed her efforts to help kids stay focused on learning in tough times and how she works with multiple organizations and the district to help keep kids safe, nourished and learning.

**Program Length:** 15:17

**“Radiothon To End Child Abuse”**---Air Date 12/1/22 at 2:35pm

**Topic:** Calee Furer of the Bemidji Early Childhood Collaborative discussed the organization, which is actually a cooperative of multiple organizations concerned with children and families. They work to provide support and services for young families, particularly in the area of helping get young kids off on the right foot with early education, nutrition and parental support and training.

**Program Length:** 11:03

## G. ENVIRONMENT

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 10/23/22 at 6:13am

**Topic:** Beltrami County Solid Waste Administrator Brian Olson talks about solid waste disposal and how important it is to dispose of things correctly. He talked about what should be recycled, what should go in the trash and the best ways to dispose of batteries, electronics, oil, paint, etc. Environmentally speaking, correct disposal is vitally important for the environment and natural world.

**Program Length:** 19:50

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 11/20/22 at 6:00am

**Topic:** Beltrami County Solid Waste Administrator Brian Olson returned to discuss upcoming holiday hours, changes to the winter schedule and key information for keeping the county clean and environmentally sound going into the holiday season. He

discussed the real challenge of battery disposal, including the fact that all batteries MUST be disposed of properly. With Christmas coming and tools being purchased, he discussed the requirements of lithium battery disposal and the coming environmental challenges of electric and hybrid car battery disposal.

**Program Length:** 21:18

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 12/04/22 at 6:15am

**Topic:** Mark Morrissey of the Bemidji State University Outdoor Program Center discussed the various aspects of outdoor living and recreation during the winter time. He stressed the importance of keeping the ice surface clean when ice fishing or doing any other activity on the lakes. If garbage and debris is left behind, it will end up in the lake once the ice melts and will negatively affect the lake quality. In addition, he discussed staying safe on the ice and the many wonderful outdoor winter opportunities in the area.

**Program Length:** 17:20

## **H. ARTS & CULTURE**

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 10/16/22 at 6:09am

**Topic:** Hunting is a very important part of the north country’s culture. A vast majority of people in the area hunt every fall, and most go deer hunting. Pete Milli, President of the Bemidji Area Shooters Association was in to discuss the importance of “gun sighting” prior to hunting season. The club offered a fund raising gun sighting event to make sure everyone’s guns are safe and shooting straight.

**Program Length:** 8:15

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 11/20/22 at 6:21am

**Topic:** November is Native American History Month, and Rebekah Fineday, the Sanford Health Native American Community Advocate, discussed a number of issues and topics about Native Americans. Anishinabe people and culture are vital parts of the area culture and she discussed the history and culture of the area tribes and nations, as well as the challenges of the people. She also discussed how she works to help the health community work well with native cultures.

**Program Length:** 22:04

**“Community Spotlight Program”**---Air Date 12/11/22 at 6:07am

**Topic:** The Bemidji Chorale’s Annual Christmas Concert was previewed by Director Pat Mason. She discussed the program, how people can get involved with the Chorale and how they provide free entertainment for the community. She also discussed the importance of being involved in activities you love and the importance of promoting the arts.

**Program Length:** 7:32